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A la Carte and Club Lunches are served from 12 to 3:30.  
Prices very moderate.  
Afternoon Social Tea, 25c, 4:30 to 5:45.  
An atmosphere as quiet and refined as you would meet in any of the finest metropolitan hotels.  
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### Xmas Novelty

## Leather Watch Bags, \$2.98

Very attractive Watch Bags, of black leather, with nickel frames, and a watch that is guaranteed for one year. Makes an excellent gift.

See Our Beautiful Line of

Onyx and Gold Filled Vanity Cases and Gold Plated and Gold Filled Mesh Bags.

Some of the prettiest Mesh Bags are hand-chased, while one of the very newest is a gold filled, fine Baby Mesh Bag, with rhinestone frame and rhinestone initial to match. This bag is \$3.50 each.

Speaking of Mesh Bags, we are specially offering this week a German Silver Bag, with kid lining, at the very low price of \$1.50 each.

First Floor.

## Women's Handkerchiefs

Some Very Popular Xmas Novelties at a Special Low Price.

DAINTY ONE-CORNER EMBROIDERED HANDKERCHIEFS, embroidered in black, white and fancy colors. 15c Each  
POINT DE PARIS LACE EDGE HANDKERCHIEFS, beautiful in effect, sheer and very durable. 15c Each  
ALSO THE NEW 2-INCH INITIAL HANDKERCHIEFS, pure linen, very dainty and new. 15c Each  
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## Suits and Coats

In Full Sizes for Stout Women

That we make a specialty of fitting women who consider themselves "hard to fit" is plain to all who inspect our stocks.

FULL SIZED SUITS—Made of excellent quality men's wear serges; plain tailored models, in black and navy, at \$22.50  
FULL SIZED SUITS—Of fine imported woolen poplin, three-button cutaway models, strictly tailored, jackets lined with peau de cygne; specially priced at \$35.00  
FULL SIZED SUITS—Of fine "modified" serges, strictly tailored models, in black and navy, lined with Skinner's satin, at \$28.75  
FULL SIZED SUITS—Of fine men's wear striped worsted and serges; two or three excellent styles from which to choose, at \$25.00  
FULL SIZED COATS—Of fine broadcloths, plain tailored, full length models, lined with yarn dyed satin lining; black only, at \$17.50  
FULL SIZED COATS—Of a very fine quality broadcloth, made strictly plain tailored, yarn dyed, linings full length models; black only; an excellent value at \$22.50  
Second Floor.

## CURSES OFFICERS AND IS LOCKED UP

Isadore Kahn Abuses Police Who Reported Him for Posting Show Bills on Store Windows.

### GETS OUT LATER ON BAIL

Merchants to Appear Against Billposting Squad Employed by Lyric Theatre.

When he was summoned to appear this morning in Police Court for posting show bills on windows of business houses Saturday night, Isadore Kahn, employed as a helper by R. W. Waitt, an advertising agent, of 110 North Eighth Street, yesterday afternoon "cussed out" the entire Police Department in general, and Patrolmen Williams and Manolev in particular. The result was that he landed in a cell at the First Police Station.

Kahn, who is twenty-one years old, spent less than an hour in a cell, when Waitt furnished bail in the sum of \$100 for his appearance this morning before Justice Crutchfield to answer the charge of being disorderly and cursing Williams. He had calmed down considerably and showed no disposition to apologize for his conduct.

"If you want to offer any apology tell it to the court in the morning," said Williams.

Told by Chief to Summon Them. Williams was directed by Chief of Police Werner to summon Waitt and Kahn to appear in court this morning to show cause why they should not be fined for sticking the bills advertising an act at the Lyric Theatre on the windows and showcases of merchants throughout the downtown section.

The officer went to Waitt's office and there found Kahn. He first asked for Waitt, but he was absent at the moment, and Kahn gave his name and inquired Williams's business.

"I want you, too," replied Williams. "I summon you to appear to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock in court."

In reply to a question Williams told Kahn that E. C. Manolev was the witness against him.

Who Is "Manolev"? Kahn is alleged to have asked. Williams replied that he was an officer of the Second Police District, who had reported him for violation of the city ordinance.

At this point, Williams, afterward said, Kahn's language toward Manolev and himself became outrageous, and not content with cursing him, he said he would "kill" him. He was promptly placed under arrest. He was taken to police headquarters, where a patrol was called and he was sent to the station house.

Merchants Not Summoned. The eighteen Broad Street merchants who were reported by Manolev for allowing the paper signs to be placed upon their store fronts, in violation of the city ordinance and fire regulations, will not be summoned to court as defendants, but as witnesses.

"Manolev was acting within his duty," said Major Werner. "But they were merely innocent victims of this advertising racket, and it would, of course, be absurd to think of prosecuting them. However, they will be called as witnesses." Their names were reported at the Second Police Station by Manolev, and were sent to headquarters for filing in the case.

The police decided yesterday that the list of two hundred names reported by Manolev only two should be summoned, and they were Waitt and Kahn. They were also reported by the police of the First District for the same ordinance violation.

## CONTRACT SIGNED FOR HANOVER ROAD

Richmond-Washington Highway Is Rapidly Assuming Shape.

### HENRICO BACKWARD IN WORK

Road Beyond That County Completed or Now Under Construction.

Contracts have been signed for the construction, under supervision of the United States government engineers, of eighteen miles of the Richmond-Washington highway in Henrico County, from Elliott's Mill to Anderson's Bridge. The Federal government provided \$10,000 toward the cost, and the County of Henrico, the Richmond-Washington Highway Association and the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad jointly provided \$17,000. The government money was from the supplemental appropriation of Federal aid allowed to Virginia after it became apparent that some States were not going to use their full quota of the amount provided because of the requirements that wherever a Government aid in extended an equal amount must be provided by the locality.

Every portion of the Richmond-Washington highway is now either under construction or has been completed except that lying in Henrico County. By the opening of spring weather the road will be available for use. Construction gangs are now at work on the State aid appropriations in Stafford and Prince William Counties, and arrangements have been made for other sections.

Henrico Part Not Arranged. The most serious part of the road to be constructed in Henrico County is that from Solomon's Store to the Henrico County line at the Chickahominy River. Negotiations with the county authorities are now in progress in regard to that stretch. Another small strip not entirely provided for is that across an end of Henrico County.

It is believed that with the aid the association will furnish, Henrico will be able to take care of its share of the highway construction.

Leading out from Richmond, it is proposed to use the "Park-to-Park" road, a double driveway over a bridge crossing the Chickahominy River, and the road to the State Fair Grounds and the A. P. Hill Monument, to Joseph Bryan Park. The city has already planned this improvement.

Will Be Ready Next Summer. There is every prospect, according to officers of the highway association, that the highway, as far as the total outlay in the building of the road will aggregate more than \$200,000. Of all funds used on construction by the highway association, a percentage has been reserved to care for the upkeep.

TRAINING SCHOOL OPENS  
Large Audience of Sunday School Workers Attends Mass-Meeting.

A splendid mass-meeting, the opening session of the training school for Sunday school workers last night in St. Paul's Church. Three meetings will be held daily until Friday night. They are conducted under the auspices of the Sunday School Institute of the Richmond Convocation.

Rev. W. Russell Bowie, rector of St. Paul's, conducted evening prayer, and the introductory address was made by Rev. J. Francis Ribble, rector of St. Andrew's Church, and president of the Diocesan Sunday School Commission. Addresses were made by Rev. Lester Badner, director of teacher training of the General Educational Board, and Rev. S. U. Mitman, Sunday school secretary of the third province.

Two sessions will be held this afternoon at 4 and 6 o'clock, and one to-night at 8 o'clock. This program will be followed for the rest of the week. Addresses were made by Rev. Lester Badner, director of teacher training of the General Educational Board, and Rev. S. U. Mitman, Sunday school secretary of the third province.

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## WILL NOT OPPOSE RATE REDUCTION

In Formal Statement Virginia "Cities Define Position in-Carolina Controversy."

### MOVE ONLY IN SELF-DEFENSE

They May Be Forced From Market Unless General Readjustment Is Made.

Emphatic denial that Virginia interests oppose the proposed reduction of railway rates from the West to North Carolina, made in a statement issued jointly last night by the chief commercial organizations of Richmond, Norfolk, Petersburg and Roanoke. The action of several Virginia cities in taking part in the proceedings before the Interstate Commerce Commission has been construed in North Carolina to mean that Virginia will fight the proposed rate cutting which is designed to open North Carolina to Western markets.

Virginia's motive in becoming involved in the case was only to obtain for cities in this State a reduction of rates corresponding to the proposed cuts to be given North Carolina. If rates between Western points and North Carolina are reduced without corresponding reduction of the rates between Virginia cities and North Carolina, then the present rate relations of the two States will be automatically dissolved, and Virginia cities frozen out of North Carolina markets by a discriminatory freight tariff. These points are strongly made in the statement.

Signed to the statement printed below are the following names: E. S. Goodman, traffic manager of the Richmond Chamber of Commerce; W. A. Cox, traffic manager of the Norfolk Chamber of Commerce; William M. Martin, secretary of the Petersburg Chamber of Commerce, and John Wood, secretary of the Roanoke Chamber of Commerce.

Joint Chamber Statement. The joint statement follows in full: "The merchants and manufacturers of Norfolk, Petersburg, Richmond and Roanoke, believing that certain erroneous impressions exist in the minds of the friends in North Carolina concerning their attitude in connection with the proposed reduction in the rates between Western points and North Carolina, consider that it will be not only proper, but also beneficial to the friendly trade relations existing between them, to make an explicit and candid statement with the object of removing those impressions and substituting therefor a comprehensive understanding of the circumstances causing them to intervene in the hearing of these rate matters before the Interstate Commerce Commission."

"First, the merchants and manufacturers of the four Virginia cities named above desire to present to the people of North Carolina from obtaining reduced rates. On the contrary, they are only trying to obtain corresponding reductions between Virginia cities and North Carolina points, which is mutually beneficial and fair to all parties."

Where It Would Hurt. "Second, if reduced rates between Western points and North Carolina points should be issued without corresponding reductions between Virginia cities and North Carolina points, the result would tend materially to decrease the number of competitive markets leading for the trade of the North Carolina merchants—in other words, tend to divert the energies of the Virginia cities' merchants and manufacturers away from their existing trade relations with the people of North Carolina, and consequently deprive the people of North Carolina of the benefits resulting from the competition of these markets."

"Third, the merchants and manufacturers of the Virginia cities named above maintain friendly commercial relations with the great cities of Baltimore, Philadelphia, New York, Boston, Buffalo, Cleveland, Chicago and St. Louis. A tariff of reduced rates to the Virginia cities should be issued, said from Philadelphia, and not from Baltimore, New York and Boston, the merchants and manufacturers of the Virginia cities would have no such action as it would tend to deprive them of the benefit of purchasing in the three other markets."

"Fourth, a tariff of reduced rates to Virginia cities should be issued from Chicago and not from St. Louis and the other points, the merchants and manufacturers of Virginia cities would regard it as a calamity, as it would deprive them of the freedom of markets, and this is exactly the position in which the very large majority of merchants in North Carolina will be placed if a tariff of reduced rates is issued from the West to North Carolina points without corresponding reductions from Virginia cities. The Virginia cities would never invite reduced rates from a particular city or section to the exclusion of another particular city or section. It is false business principle, necessarily bringing in its own destruction."

Have Material Advantage. "Fourth, the rates from Western points to North Carolina points are so adjusted as to afford Western shippers into North Carolina not only material, but extraordinary advantages over the Virginia cities' shippers, which latter have seen much business already diverted from them to Western cities, and they believe that in the interests of the retail merchants and the ultimate consumers of North Carolina (not ignoring their own interest), a further transfer of this business to Western cities will operate as a positive injury, not only to them, but to the largely and principally to the retail merchants and the ultimate consumers in North Carolina."

"Fifth, it is for these logical and well-meant reasons that Virginia cities believe that the best solution for the mutual benefit of themselves and the people of North Carolina can be reached by settlement of the question by the Interstate Commerce Commission, and they wish to repeat most emphatically that their intervention is not made with any design of preventing their neighbors in North Carolina from receiving any benefits, but, on the contrary, to preserve to them the benefits they now have."

Miss Gordon's Address To-Night. Miss Jean M. Gordon, of New Orleans, who has been attending the National Conference of Equal Suffragists in Washington, will arrive in Richmond at noon to-day, and, at the guest of Mr. and Mrs. B. D. Valen, 2333 Monument Avenue, at 8:15 o'clock to-night Miss Gordon will make an address on equal suffrage and labor conditions in the Y. M. C. A. auditorium, to which the public is invited.

## Overcoats Worth Up to \$35

At 16.50 Ea.

With this sort of weather you will appreciate to the fullest extent the opportunity we are offering you. The Coats are in medium and heavy weights, medium and long lengths; plain back and belted coats, cassimeres, chevots and chinchillas. It's the most phenomenal sale we have ever offered you.

## Closing Out the Ladies' and Misses' Coats and Reefers

All go in a grand clearance sale to-day at

EXACTLY HALF PRICES

\$12.50 Ladies' and Misses' Coats reduced to..... \$6.25  
\$18.00 Ladies and Misses' Coats reduced to..... \$9.00  
\$20.00 Ladies' and Misses' Coats reduced to..... \$10.00  
\$22.50 Ladies' and Misses' Coats reduced to..... \$11.25  
Coats for walking and automobile use.

## A Companion Sale for the Boys of the Family

About eighty Overcoats are on separate tables for quick clearance to-day; one, two and three of a kind, remaining sizes of the season's best sellers.

Coats that sold at \$ 8.50 ) Clearance Sale  
Coats that sold at \$10.00 )  
Coats that sold at \$12.50 ) \$4.95

## Gans-Rady Company

## EXPLAINS WHY HE FAVORED PARDON

Editor Copeland's Letter to Governor in Hancock Case Sets Forth His Reasons.

The Times-Dispatch has been requested by W. S. Copeland, of Newport News, to print the full text of his letter to Governor Mann, in regard to a pardon for U. I. Hancock, who pleaded guilty in the Hastings Court here for selling cocaine. Mr. Copeland's letter follows:

Newport News, Va., Dec. 1, 1913.  
Governor William Hodges Mann, Richmond, Va.

My Dear Governor Mann—I take the liberty of writing to you in relation to the petition of U. I. Hancock, convicted upon his own confession of selling cocaine contrary to law. You will doubtless recall that during my residence in Richmond, I frequently denounced through the newspapers this kind of traffic. I have not changed my view. I do not know Mr. Hancock, and only by hearsay know the particulars of his offense.

But my interest has been aroused in his case by reason of the fact that his attorney, Mr. Lett, a lawyer and politician, has been very active in his behalf, and that he is a man of considerable means and distinguished and righteous citizens, are convinced in their own minds that this is a proper subject for the exercise of executive clemency. I am informed by Mr. R. W. West, Mr. W. E. Barrett and others who know Mr. Hancock and his family, that, with this exception, he has led a correct life, and they believe that this is his first offense. They also tell me that he can be trusted to lead a life of law-abiding conduct, and that he is a man of considerable means and distinguished and righteous citizens, are convinced in their own minds that this is a proper subject for the exercise of executive clemency. I am informed by Mr. R. W. West, Mr. W. E. 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